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## THINK FOOD

### School Nutrition Programs

### Shipment 2

### September 2012

#### "SCHOOL LUNCH - WHAT'S COOKING"

This year's National School Lunch Week is about celebrating the positive changes that are being made in school lunch programs across the country.



From new meal patterns, recipes and freshly prepared meals, there are a lot of new developments in school lunch. Start planning how you can share your program and create community awareness of the benefits of a healthy school lunch.

National School Lunch Week will be celebrated October 15-19, 2012. The School Nutrition Association Web site at <http://www.schoolnutrition.org/Level2NSLW2012.aspx?id=16976> has recipes, tools, and other resources available to help you start cooking up your National School Lunch Week celebration.



#### STAYING CONNECTED

The OPI School Nutrition Programs MTLunchline is a great way to stay connected with foodservice managers across the state.

The MTLunchline is a listserv set up by the Montana Team Nutrition office to give members a place to go to ask questions, share recipes, and receive information from both the OPI School Nutrition Programs and the Montana Team Nutrition offices.

If you are not already a MTLunchline participant and would like to be, send your e-mail address to Katie Bark at [kbark@mt.gov](mailto:kbark@mt.gov), or to Clay Hickman at [chickman@mt.gov](mailto:chickman@mt.gov), and they will add you to the listserve.

#### SCHOOL REVIEWS?

With the passage of the Healthy, Hunger Free Kids Act of 2010 an additional 6 cents per lunch reimbursement will be provided to schools that are in compliance with the new meal pattern requirements. The OPI School Nutrition Programs will use the USDA Certification process to determine menu compliance. This year the certification process will take the place of school reviews.



Information regarding this certification process along with a list of scheduled

trainings has been mailed to all foodservice managers.

If you have questions regarding the certification, please call the OPI School Nutrition Programs office at (406) 444-2501.

To register for the fall trainings go to <http://www.keysurvey.com/f/450321/1542/>.



### TARA RAY JOINS SCHOOL NUTRITION

The OPI School Nutrition Programs office would like to introduce Tara Ray. Tara joins our staff as the newest School Nutrition Programs Specialist. Tara is a registered dietitian and comes to the OPI from the Montana State WIC Program where she worked as a Nutrition Education Specialist.

Tara was born and raised in Darby, Montana and received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Food, Nutrition and Dietetics from Concordia Lutheran College in Moorhead, Minnesota. She completed her internship to become a registered dietitian with the Sarasota County School Food Service Program in Sarasota, Florida.

She is excited to be back traveling in her home state working with the OPI School Nutrition staff during this year of exciting changes and opportunities

within the Montana School Nutrition Programs. Welcome Tara!

### USDA FOODS

The following USDA Foods are still available. Be sure to e-mail your requests to [juwilson@mt.gov](mailto:juwilson@mt.gov). There are **Charbroiled Beef Patties** and **Chicken Patty Tenders** available. These are the



items that are processed by the OPI School Nutrition Food Distribution and are paid for by using your state match dollars. Be sure to order yours. Reminder: *RCCIs and Private schools that order processed items are responsible for the processing fee and will be billed at the end of the school year.*

Charbroiled Beef Patties \$53.55	1092
Cheese Cheddar Y \$67.59	176
Chicken Patty Tenders \$13.74	1192
Flour A/P \$9.61	109
Flour B \$11.25	441
Flour WW \$11.49	128
Green Beans \$17.77	11
Mozzarella LMPs \$82.10	124
Oven Fried Potatoes \$14.73	39
Oven Roasted Chicken \$76.47	233
Pancakes WG \$10.30	238
Peanut Butter \$23.35	9
Pinto Beans \$14.24	12
Pork Roasts \$68.40	25
Potato Rounds \$14.96	238
Potato Wedges \$17.02	714
Rice Brn Lng Grn Qk Ck \$23.52	190
Spaghetti Sauce \$12.55	217
Spaghetti WG \$7.85	101
Tomato Paste \$22.80	17
Tomato Sauce \$12.37	157
Vegetable Oil \$33.94	4
Veggie Beans \$15.51	14

